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SALEM-CONCORD BIKEWAY FEASIBILITY STUDY MEETINGS

DRAFT OF 40-MILE NETWORK TO BE PRESENTED

AT SESSIONS IN PEMBROKE AND WINDHAM

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) will hold a final round of public meetings in Windham and Pembroke to present a draft of a proposed 40-mile bicycle and pedestrian network from Salem to Concord.

The two public meetings to introduce the draft bikeway and receive input will be held Tuesday, April 1, 2003 at the Windham Town Hall (3 N. Lowell Road) and Thursday, April 3, 2003 at the Pembroke Town Hall (Route 3 Pembroke). Both meetings will begin at 7:00 PM.

The purpose of this feasibility study is to help plan a viable transportation bikeway network near the Interstate 93 corridor. The draft Salem-Concord bikeway for non-motorized users has been developed by the NHDOT through the assistance of a Citizens Advisory Committee representing communities along the corridor. Comments and ideas offered at public meetings in February have also been considered in the formulation of the proposed pedestrian and bicycle pathway.

Criteria used for developing the draft network have included public support, environmental and property issues, surface types for the path, safety, maintenance, aesthetics, and funding.

A draft copy of the report can be viewed in the news and events section of the NHDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Web site: www.nhbikeped.com

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